## Mill Creek PTA Newsletter

**SEPTEMBER 8, 2020** 

**WELCOME!** We are glad you're here! We invite you to listen to this welcome video from our PTA President, Lisa Davis: <a href="https://youtu.be/Ek3HKlxcIbs">https://youtu.be/Ek3HKlxcIbs</a> Also, please save the date for our first Zoom PTA Call. 6:30 p.m. September 29, 2020.

**JOIN PTA!** Each fall, Mill Creek families are asked to join the Mill Creek PTA. Parent participation is a big part of what makes Mill Creek such a great school. Your membership gives you the opportunity to vote on how PTA funds are used.

Annual PTA Membership costs \$10 per person, and all adults in our school community are invited to join.

PTA Membership lasts one year and must be renewed annually.

Our membership goal is to have 100% of parents, teachers and school administrators join the PTA. Sign up to be a PTA member at https://mcespta.new.memberhub.store/store

**MILL CREEK GEAR FOR SALE:** Represent Mill Creek wherever you are with the new Fall 2020 Spirit Wear Collection. Pre-order online through <u>Member Hub</u> now through noon September 15, 2020. Pick up ordered items through the car line in early October.

**REFLECTIONS ART CONTEST:** 2020-2021 Theme: "I Matter Because..." This annual art contest encourages artistic expression through a school-wide, regional, state, and national art competition. This program recognizes young artists from Pre-Kindergarten to 5th Grade for their creativity, artistic skills, and interpretation of the contest's theme. This year entries will be submitted electronically and will be due after Fall Break. Watch this <u>video</u> for more details.

**KEEP UP WITH US AT...** Connect with us on any of the platforms below during the month of September and you will be entered into a weekly drawing for an item from our spirit wear store. We have all heard about the algorithms at Facebook that keep us connected or sometimes disconnected to our favorite people and pages. To increase

your chances of winning, please engage with us on our social media; leave us a comment; love or chuckle at our posts and share it with your friends.

Website: <a href="https://www.madisoncity.k12.al.us/domain/95">https://www.madisoncity.k12.al.us/domain/95</a>

Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/MillCreekElemPTA">https://www.facebook.com/MillCreekElemPTA</a>

Member Hub/School Store: <a href="https://mcespta.new.memberhub.store/store">https://mcespta.new.memberhub.store/store</a>

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/mcespta/

Twitter: https://twitter.com/MillCreek PTA

Remind (Receive text and email communications directly from the PTA):

www.remind.com/join/6f2c93

Our Calendar: <a href="https://mcespta.memberhub.com/calendar/">https://mcespta.memberhub.com/calendar/</a>

**SPIRIT NIGHTS:** What is a spirit night? This is where Mill Creek PTA teams up with local restaurants and businesses to provide an opportunity for our families to gather together outside of the school environment, while also raising important funds for our PTA.

You (and/or your friends or family) simply purchase goods or services from the business on a set day and time. **Be sure to let them know you are there to support Mill Creek**, and they give a portion of those proceeds back to our school. We will be adding Spirit Nights 1-2 times per month, so stay tuned for the latest updates!

Tuesday, September 8 - Thursday, October 8 - Primp & Posh Nail Bar, 300 Hughes Road, Suite H, Madison, AL 35758, (256) 772-8899

Friday, September 11, 11:30 a.m. - 10 p.m. - Rita's Italian Ice & Frozen Custard, 8046 Highway 72 W *Madison*, *AL* 35758, (256) 970-4848

Monday, September, 14, 2 p.m. - 11 p.m. - Marco's Pizza, 11156 County Line Rd, Madison, AL 35756, (256) 325-1054

Know a business that would like to give back to Mill Creek? Please send us an email millcreekmaverickspta@gmail.com

## **FUNDRAISERS:**

The PTA is working to enhance the existing playground at Mill Creek. We are in the process of obtaining estimates, but have set a preliminary goal of raising \$50,000 to make our dreams a reality. Please share our fundraisers with your friends, family and co-workers.

- **Game Time Fundraiser** Get decked out in your favorite college (Roll Tide! War Eagle!) and professional sports gear. \$5 from every item sold will be donated back to the PTA. **The order process is as easy as 1-2-3.** 
  - 1. To place your order, go to: <u>www.gametimefundraisers.com</u> before Sept. 30th.
  - 2. Enter (Mill Creek Elementary) in the School/PTA/Booster Club field. Enter your student or teacher's name in the Student/Teacher/Coach field.
  - 3. Enter your credit card info and check out. (It's that simple!)
- **Label Fundraiser** Sometimes NOT sharing IS caring. Shop now and support the PTA. Oliver's Labels makes durable labels for all of your stuff! Perfect for school, sports, camps and much more.

www.oliverslabels.com/millcreek

20% of your purchase will support our fundraising efforts!

• **PTA Buyout** *Not interested in participating in school fundraisers? We present the Alternative Fundraiser*. This is the perfect for families who don't want to bake, hit up co-workers, friends or family for money, walk, run or swim in any "thon", ask businesses for auction items. <u>Donate now</u> and feel no obligation to purchase or donate to fundraisers throughout the year. 100% of your donation will go to our playground enhancement fundraiser.

## NO COST WAYS TO HELP MILL CREEK

Place your Amazon orders through Amazon Smile (<a href="https://smile.amazon.com">https://smile.amazon.com</a>) instead of amazon.com. Select Mill Creek Elementary PTA as your charity and we will receive .5% of your purchases. You must renew your selection every 6 months.

Simply sign up for a <u>Publix.com</u> account, click Publix Partners, and select our school. Then enter your phone number every time you check out. When signing up, make sure

you select Mill Creek Elementary School in Madison, AL, not Mill Creek Elementary PTO (that's not us). This program requires re-enrollment each July.

Visit <a href="https://www.kroger.com">https://www.kroger.com</a> Sign in or create an account. Click My Account, then click Community Rewards. Search for Mill Creek Elementary PTA or enter this code **VE178** in this search box. This program requires re-enrollment each August.

Anytime you order pizza from <u>Papa John's</u>, simply enter the promo code **MILLCK** in the Papa John's app or their website and Mill Creek PTA will receive 10% of the order.

Visit <a href="https://www.boxtops4education.com/">https://www.boxtops4education.com/</a> to join Box Tops 4 Education. You may also download the app from the app store. Designate Mill Creek Elementary School as your recipient. Box Tops For Education is phasing out its physical Box Tops, but if you see the Box Tops, clip them and send them in with your child.